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OUTLINES DEVELOPMENT OF SLOVAK INDUSTRIALIZATION

MAY EXCEED PLAN -- Prague, Lidove Noviny, 27 Feb 51

It is expected that the industrialization of Slovakia will proceed more rapidly than had originally been anticipated by the Five-Year Plan. It is now expected that light industry will produce 15 percent more than provided for by the plan for 1953, and that the food-processing industry will exceed by 19 percent the target assigned to it.

A new metallurgical combine having a yearly capacity of one million tons of pig iron will be erected. This should go into operation in 1953, making possible the development of a new industrial area in a region which is now virtually nonindustrialized and where there is an abundant manpower supply. Although this combine will start production in 1953, it will not be entirely completed until 1955.

Special attention will be paid to heavy machine production, and machine building in general. The aim will be to increase the output of this sector by 400 percent during 1951-53.

The mining of iron and nonferrous metal ores, especially copper, will be greatly expanded. At the same time, new brown-coal areas will be exploited, and broader use will be made of Slovakia's rich water-power resources.

Thus, a raw materials arsenal will be established in the eastern part of the Czechoslovak republic.

The gigantic tasks outlined above will require the recruiting of tens of thousands of new workers, who will have to be trained partly by experienced Slovak worker cadres and partly by personnel from the industries of the Czech Provinces.

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INDUSTRIALIZATION MAKES PROGRESS -- Prague, Sychodne Slovo, 21 Mar 51

In 1949, the first year of the Five-Year Plan, heavy industry production in Slovakia rose by 10.7 percent. In 1950, this increase was 25.7 percent, reflecting the change in the direction of industrial development. In 1951, the output of heavy industry in Slovakia is to rise by 33 percent.

This increase in the importance of heavy industry in Slovakia is shown also in the number of workers employed. In 1949, there were 3,267 more people employed by heavy industry than in 1948, and in 1950 an additional 20,799 were hired. The over-all 1951 plan for Slovakia envisions a further increase of 29,849 workers in heavy industry. Heavy industry will recruit about as many workers in 1951 as it did in the preceding 3 years. The proportion of women in the labor force will also rise.

The increase in the number of workers and apprentices in Slovak industry planned for the Five-Year Plan will be surpassed in 1951 without including apprentices.

During 1951, construction will be begun on a large metallurgical combine in Slovakia.

Also during 1951, the output of heavy industry is to increase by 69 percent over the previous year, while the agricultural output will rise by 23 percent over 1950. For the first time, the output of plant products is to rise faster than that of animal products.

DATA SHOW INDUSTRIAL GROWTH -- Bratislava, Praca, 1 Jan 51

The following table indicates in percent the growth of various branches of industry between 30 September 1949 and 30 September 1950. It is to be noted that, in general, Slovakia, rather than the Czech Provinces, reveals the most significant increases.

branch of Industry	Entire Country	Slovakia
Mining Metallurgy Heavy metalwork Precision machinery Light metalwork Chemicals Building materials Glass Paper Wood Textiles and clothing	7.0 8.0 32.0 16.0 27.0 7.0 9.0 33.0 34.0 7.0 6.0	19.2 5.5 78.3 62.6 13.7 12.9 10.5 26.9 7.2 26.8 19.2
All branches	18.0	23.1

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